Formula for Disaster METHAMPHETAMNE

WARNING:

Illegal Manufacturing of Dangerous Drug Puts Hotel/Motel Owners, Operators, and Guests at Risk.

Michigan Public Health and Law Enforcement officials are issuing a warning that Michigan hotel and motel rooms are being used as clandestine cooking sites for the illegal manufacturing of Methamphetamine.

Danger:

The activities and byproducts associated with the manufacturing of Methamphetamine are extremely dangerous and highly toxic. Clandestine cooking sites are prone to explosions, fires, and toxic waste contamination. Anyone coming into contact with a site can face faces serious injury, death, or health risks from collapsed lungs, burns, or other injuries associated with contamination or explosions.

What to look for:

Michigan hotel/motel owners and operators are being asked to look for and report any of the following suspicious activities:

- Strong/strange odor coming from inside room
- Windows open all day/night, including winter
- Renters carrying in propane grill tanks, gas cans, tubing, glass canning jars, coolers
- Boxes of hardware components instead of travel luggage
- Unusual traffic all hours of the day and night



Trash left behind that includes coffee filters, lithium batteries, acetone, cold tablet packages, plastic hoses, iodine, and lye packages.

To report a meth lab immediately call 911

Authorities also warn owners and operators not to attempt to enter the site of a clandestine manufacturing operation, or try to detain anyone associated with the production of Methamphetamine. Instead, they should immediately call 911 or the nearest law enforcement agency. The dispatcher should be alerted to the fact that the location is a possible Methamphetamine site (so first responders can take the proper safety precautions upon arriving on the scene.)

Suspicious activities can also be reported to the Michigan State Police Methamphetamine Tip Line

To report suspicious activities: 1-866-METH TIP

The State Police tip line is available, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. All calls to the MSP tip line remain anonymous and confidential.

Staff should be trained to inconspicuously retain license plate numbers, subject and vehicle descriptions, and suspect identification information, such as a driver's license number supplied at the time of registration.

Methamphetamine clandestine manufacturing sites are extremely unstable and dangerous. Rooms and all furnishings are easily contaminated and considered toxic waste sites. Clandestine sites require specialized cleanup and disposal procedures. The cost of clean up is the responsibility of the property owner so officials are urging hotel/motel operators and owners to report the slightest suspicious activity immediately, before a clandestine manufacturing site can be assembled.



Additional information regarding this bulletin and Methamphetamine Training:



Michigan Department of Community Health Office of Drug Control Policy 517/373-2952 www.michigan.gov/meth



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